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**PETITION OF NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC
SERVICE COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF FUEL
COST CHARGE TO BE APPLICABLE IN THE
MONTHS OF AUGUST, SEPTEMBER AND
OCTOBER, 2005 PURSUANT TO I.C. 8-1-2-42**

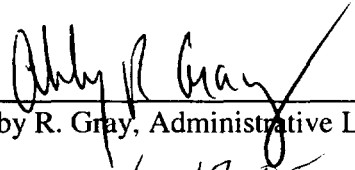
CAUSE NO. 38706-FAC67

You are hereby notified that on this date the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") has caused the following entry to be made:

On June 16, 2005, the evidentiary hearing was held in this Cause. The Parties were informed that there would be Commission questions on recent filings. The Parties agreed that the responses to the questions would be a late filed exhibit and the record so reflects. Therefore, the Presiding Officer now finds that NIPSCO should file written responses to the following questions by Friday, June 24, 2005:

1. Please provide an analysis showing what the benchmark would have been over the last six months under the proposed formula. Please include the NYMEX inputs used for each month analyzed.
2. According to NIPSCO's 2003 IRP, the typical fuels burned by its generating units are coal and/or natural gas. Does NIPSCO's Indiana jurisdictional rate base contain any gas turbines that can operate on fuel oil but not natural gas? If yes, please identify units.
3. In response to the Industrial Group's data request, question 1d, Bailly Unit 7 experienced forced outages during January, February and March 2005 due to boiler tube leaks. When was the last scheduled maintenance outage for Bailly 7? During the boiler tube related outages that occurred in January, what measures were taken to reduce the risk of future boiler tube related outages? Has the recent tube related outages had an effect on the future maintenance plans? If so, please explain. Please provide a detailed explanation of NIPSCO's related planned maintenance plan for the last three years. Please provide an analysis of NIPSCO's performance against this scheduled maintenance plan for the last three years (i.e. adherence to schedule, alterations to the plan etc.).

IT IS SO ORDERED.


Abby R. Gray, Administrative Law Judge

Date

6-17-05